

## Workshop III: Relativistic Astrophysics

### Monday May 2, 2005

- 8:00–8:45 *Check-In/Light Breakfast (Hosted by IPAM)*
- 8:45–9:00 *Welcome and Opening Remarks*
- 9:00–10:00 **Joan Centrella** (NASA GSFC)  
*Gravitational Wave Science: Challenges for Numerical Relativistic Astrophysics*
- 10:00–10:30 *Break*
- 10:30–11:30 **Frans Pretorius** (California Institute of Technology)  
*On the Simulation of Binary Black Holes in General Relativity*
- 11:30–1:30 *Lunch (on your own)*
- 1:30–2:30 **Luis Lehner** (Louisiana State University)  
*Many directions to a black hole*
- 2:30–3:00 *Break*
- 3:00–4:00 **David Meier** (California Institute of Technology)  
*Trends in Numerical Relativistic Astrophysics*
- 4:00–4:15 *Break*
- 4:15–5:15 **Jose Antonio Font** (University of Valencia)  
*Improved simulations of relativistic stellar core collapse*
- 5:15–7:15 *Wine/Cheese Reception (Hosted by IPAM)*

### Tuesday May 3, 2005

- 8:00–9:00 *Continental Breakfast*
- 9:00–10:00 **Jerome Novak** (Observatoire de Paris)  
*Fully-constrained formulation of Einstein's field equations using Dirac gauge*
- 10:00–10:30 *Break*

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- 10:30–11:30 **Luciano Rezzolla** (International School for Advanced Studies (SISSA/ISAS))  
*3D collapse to rotating black holes: dynamics of matter, trapped surfaces and gravitational radiation*
- 11:30–1:30 *Lunch (on your own)*
- 1:30–2:30 **Anthony Mezzacappa** (Oak Ridge National Laboratory)  
*The Computational Challenge of Modeling the Explosion of Massive Stars*
- 2:30–3:00 *Break*
- 3:00–4:00 **Miguel-Angel Aloy** (University of Valencia)  
*General relativistic simulations of post-neutron star mergers as progenitors of short Gamma-ray bursts*
- 4:00–4:15 *Break*
- 4:15–5:15 **Andrew MacFadyen** (Institute for Advanced Study)  
*Relativistic AMR Simulations of GRBs*

### Wednesday May 4, 2005

- 8:00–9:00 *Continental Breakfast*
- 9:00–10:00 **Oscar Reula** (FaMAF, Universidad Nacional de Cordoba)  
*Implementing high order touching grids in numerical relativity*
- 10:00–10:30 *Break*
- 10:30–11:30 **Mark Scheel** (California Institute of Technology)  
*Constraint-preserving boundary conditions for the Einstein evolution system*
- 11:30–1:30 *Lunch (on your own)*
- 1:30–2:30 **Lee Lindblom** (California Institute of Technology)  
*Optimal Constraint Projection*
- 2:30–3:00 *Break*
- 3:00–4:00 **Harald Pfeiffer** (California Institute of Technology)  
*Binary black hole initial data*
- 4:00–4:15 *Break*
- 4:15–5:15 **Shing-Tung Yau** (Harvard University)
- 5:15–7:15 *Dinner (Hosted by IPAM)*

## Thursday May 5, 2005

- 8:00–9:00 *Continental Breakfast*
- 9:00–10:00 **Matthew Choptuik** (University of British Columbia)
- 10:00–10:30 *Break*
- 10:30–11:30 **Hideaki Kudoh** (University of Tokyo)  
*Black holes with extra dimensions: the black-hole black-string transition*
- 11:30–1:30 *Lunch (on your own)*
- 1:30–2:30 **Tsvi Piran** (Hebrew University)  
*Numerical Studies of Black Holes in Higher Dimensions.*
- 2:30–3:00 *Break*
- 3:00–4:00 **Masaru Shibata** (University of Tokyo)  
*Merger of binary neutron stars with realistic equations of state*

## Friday May 6, 2005

- 8:00–9:00 *Continental Breakfast*
- 9:00–10:00 **Anatoly Spitkovsky** (Stanford University)  
*Simulations of force-free relativistic MHD*
- 10:00–10:30 *Break*
- 10:30–11:30 **Saul Teukolsky** (Cornell University)  
*Why is Numerical Relativity so Important and Yet so Hard?*
- 11:30–1:30 *Lunch (on your own)*
- 1:30–2:00 **Maria Hamilton** (University of Pittsburgh)  
*Gravitational wave extraction using the Cauchy-characteristic method*
- 2:00–2:10 *Break*
- 2:10–2:40 **Melvin Leok** (University of Michigan)  
*Towards Discrete Exterior Calculus and Discrete Mechanics for Numerical Relativity*
- 2:40–2:50 *Break*
- 2:50–3:20 **Jian Tao** (Washington University in St. Louis)  
*Binary NS evolution with AMR*
- 3:20–3:30 *Break*

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3:30–4:00 **P. Chris Fragile** (College of Charleston)  
*Relativistic MHD on Unstructured Grids with Local Adaptive Refinement*

